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OGM Steve Demczak Environmental Scientist III

# Inspection Report

Permit Number:	C0070038
Inspection Type:	COMPLETE
Inspection Date:	Tuesday, May 20, 2008
Start Date/Time:	5/20/2008 2:00:00 PM
End Date/Time:	5/20/2008 4:00:00 PM
Last Inspection:	Tuesday, April 22, 2008

Inspector: Steve Demczak, Environmental Scientist III

Weather: Sunny, 50's

InspectionID Report Number: 1658

Accepted by: jhelfric  
6/2/2008

Permittee: **PLATEAU MINING CORP**

Operator: **PLATEAU MINING CORP**

Site: **WILLOW CREEK MINE**

Address: **PO BOX 30, HELPER UT 84526-0030**

County: **CARBON**

Permit Type: **PERMANENT COAL PROGRAM**

Permit Status: **ACTIVE**

**Current Acreages**

14,662.49	<b>Total Permitted</b>
71.44	<b>Total Disturbed</b>
	<b>Phase I</b>
	<b>Phase II</b>
	<b>Phase III</b>

**Mineral Ownership**

- ☒ Federal  
☐ State  
☐ County  
☒ Fee  
☒ Other

**Types of Operations**

- ☒ Underground  
☐ Surface  
☒ Loadout  
☐ Processing  
☐ Reprocessing

**Report summary and status for pending enforcement actions, permit conditions, Division Orders, and amendments:**

The Permittee notified the Division that the fourth quarter of 2008 surface and UPDES water monitoring information for the Willow Creek Mine was in the electronic data base pipeline ready for uploading.

The Permittee continues to meet the Special Condition included as Attachment "A" of the current State permit, which was renewed April 24, 2006.

There are no pending compliance actions.

There is currently no activity at this site.

Inspector's Signature:

*Steve Demczak*  
Steve Demczak, Environmental Scientist III

Inspector ID Number: 39

Date

Wednesday, May 28, 2008

**Note:** This inspection report does not constitute an affidavit of compliance with the regulatory program of the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining.

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### REVIEW OF PERMIT, PERFORMANCE STANDARDS PERMIT CONDITION REQUIREMENTS

1. Substantiate the elements on this inspection by checking the appropriate performance standard.
  - a. For COMPLETE inspections provide narrative justification for any elements not fully inspected unless element is not appropriate to the site, in which case check Not Applicable.
  - b. For PARTIAL inspections check only the elements evaluated.
2. Document any noncompliance situation by reference the NOV issued at the appropriate performance standard listed below.
3. Reference any narratives written in conjunction with this inspection at the appropriate performance standard listed below.
4. Provide a brief status report for all pending enforcement actions, permit conditions, Divison Orders, and amendments.

	Evaluated	Not Applicable	Comment	Enforcement
1. Permits, Change, Transfer, Renewal, Sale	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Signs and Markers	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Topsoil	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.a Hydrologic Balance: Diversions	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.b Hydrologic Balance: Sediment Ponds and Impoundments	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.c Hydrologic Balance: Other Sediment Control Measures	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.d Hydrologic Balance: Water Monitoring	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.e Hydrologic Balance: Effluent Limitations	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Explosives	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Disposal of Excess Spoil, Fills, Benches	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Coal Mine Waste, Refuse Piles, Impoundments	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. Noncoal Waste	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. Protection of Fish, Wildlife and Related Environmental Issues	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10. Slides and Other Damage	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11. Contemporaneous Reclamation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12. Backfilling And Grading	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
13. Revegetation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
14. Subsidence Control	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
15. Cessation of Operations	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
16.a Roads: Construction, Maintenance, Surfacing	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
16.b Roads: Drainage Controls	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
17. Other Transportation Facilities	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
18. Support Facilities, Utility Installations	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
19. AVS Check	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
20. Air Quality Permit	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
21. Bonding and Insurance	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
22. Other	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**1. Permits, Change, Transfer, Renewal, Sale**

The permit will expire on April 24, 2011.

**3. Topsoil**

All topsoil has been used for reclamation.

**4.b Hydrologic Balance: Sediment Ponds and Impoundments**

The sediment pond has been inspected for the first quarter of 2008. No hazardous conditions have been reported. This sediment pond is outside the permit area and is still being inspected. The pond was inspected on March 26, 2008.

**4.c Hydrologic Balance: Other Sediment Control Measures**

The site has been pocked for sediment control.

**4.d Hydrologic Balance: Water Monitoring**

The fourth quarter of 2008 sampling information has been submitted to the Division. Permittee is concern the information is not being reviewed. The permittee is not receiving a water monitoring report back from the Division.

**4.e Hydrologic Balance: Effluent Limitations**

No discharged occurred for the first quarter.

**7. Coal Mine Waste, Refuse Piles, Impoundments**

The reclaimed refuse pile was inspected for the first quarter of 2008.

**8. Noncoal Waste**

The Willow Creek site was clear of non-coal waste materials.

**10. Slides and Other Damage**

No slides have been noticed since the last inspection.

**12. Backfilling And Grading**

The site is backfilled and graded.

**13. Revegetation**

The property has been re-seeded.

**18. Support Facilities, Utility Installations**

No support facilities are at the site.

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**21. Bonding and Insurance**

The bonding amount is \$2,275,144. The insurance company is Steadfast Insurance Company. The policy will expire on October 1, 2008.